

PALOMAR AIRPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE
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MINUTES

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2004

Chairperson Ramona Finnila called the meeting to order at 7:12 p.m. on October 21, 2004, in the City of Carlsbad Faraday Center, 1635 Faraday Avenue, Carlsbad, California.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairperson Ramona Finnila
Vice-Chairperson Tim Hutter
John Christensen
Robert Fuselier
Ginna Reyes
Howard Williams

MEMBERS ABSENT

Chuck Collins
Bob Gates
Hugh Lyttelton
Tom Ricotta

Members present did represent a quorum.

COUNTY STAFF PRESENT

Floyd Best
Olivier Bracket
Peter Drinkwater
Dee Dee Phillips
Willie Vasquez

ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS

Willie Vasquez was introduced as the new airport Assistant Manager. He has been with the County for over 20 years. He most recently was the Assistant Manager of the Fallbrook Community Air Park.

AWARD PROCLAMATION PALOMAR 99'S

Ms. Finnila presented the Palomar chapter of the 99's, with an appreciation plaque from the City of Carlsbad. The plaque acknowledges the organization for painting the airport's first certified compass rose located on the far west end of the runway.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes for the month of September 2004 were approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

A homeowner representing local Carlsbad residents and several home owners' associations addressed noise abatement issues. The citizens are concerned that pilot's are not following the recommended flight patterns and suggested flight curfew.

Several other residents also expressed their concerns and frustrations in regards to the inconvenience brought about by pilots not following the Voluntary Noise Abatement Procedures (VNAP).

Staff reiterated their lack of purvey to enforce any limitations on the pilot's because of Palomar Airport's participation in the National Air Transportation System. The FAA is the only agency with the power to restrict and enforce movement in the sky.

The County and local neighborhood representatives will work towards creating a program designed to educate and encourage adherence to VNAP by pilot's.

CITY COUNCIL REPORT

Ms. Finnila announced one of the latest businesses to open in Carlsbad, K1 Speed. The indoor kart racing company is located at 6212 Corte Del Abeto. Private parties, corporate events and leagues for both adults and kids are offered.

PART 150 PRESENTATION BY URS

Mr. Best stated that the Noise Exposure Maps (NEMS) were submitted to the FAA. URS is awaiting their response. The Noise Compatibility Plan will be generated from the approved NEMS.

The Palomar Airport Roundtable 2000 (PAR 2000) final report final report and all statements received regarding noise and flight issues will be documented in the final Part 150 report.

AIRPORT COMMUNITY RELATIONS ISSUES

Mr. Brackett reported monthly operations for September were 17,348, bringing the total number year to date 161,621. Air carrier enplanements 3,995. Annual air carrier enplanements year to date 39,775. The local transient traffic breakdown for the month of October was 5,216, itinerant, 12,132. IFR traffic 4,454 and VFR traffic 12,894.

Noise concerns for the month of September, 306 calls. The number year to date 1,099. Ratio of concerns to operations for the month of September, 1 call; operations. The majority of calls during the month of September were south/west from the airport. 8 concerns were from the south/east. 138 of the calls concerned jet operations, 154 for propeller operations, 5 for helicopter operations, 1 commercial and 8 unknown aircraft type. 145 of the concerns were for operations between 0700-1700. There were 79 concerns for operations between 1700-2200 and there were 82 concerns for operations between 2200-0700.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Drinkwater briefly spoke about the status of Customs on Demand. Palomar fixed based operators (fbo's) are all working together to try and bring this program to the North County. Because of the user fees, airport operations are not expected to increase. The service will benefit current Palomar clients by eliminating the inconvenience of having to stop in South County first before proceeding on to North County.

STAFF REPORT

Mr. Best gave a briefing about the changes on the airport. Several of the old hangars and the restaurant have both been demolished. Palomar Airport Center, LLC. has moved forward with renovations on their leasehold. Many of the businesses have been relocated to another area on the leasehold and some have moved to the Magellan Aviation leasehold. The Palomar Airport Café is currently occupying the area on the west side of the 2-hour parking lot.

The transient ramp west of the commercial terminal will be repaved and new hardware installed. The County transient ramp will now accommodate 12.

The letter regarding Bressi Ranch disclosures has been forwarded to the Board of Supervisors for review.

SET AGENDA FOR MEETING ON NOVEMBER 18, 2004

Gail Carroll, the representative for local residents will present to the committee an item for information. Ms. Carroll will put forward the idea of a "Fly Friendly Program."

MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

No announcements were made.

ADJOURN

Meeting was adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

Ramona Finnila, Chairperson